REMARKS

Claims 33 - 71 are currently pending in the application. Applicants cancel claims 33 - 60 and 63 - 71 without prejudice or disclaimer, reserving all right to file one or more divisional applications at a later time directed to one or more of canceled claims 1 - 60 and 63 - 71.

Applicants also amend claims XX. No new matter is introduced.

OBJECTION TO SPECIFICATION

The specification is objected to in regard to informalities at page 2, line 6. Applicants amend the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 1 to address these informalities, and respectfully request that the objection be withdrawn.

OBJECTION TO CLAIMS

Claim 62 is objected to for failing to provide a definition of the value S. Applicants amend claim 62 to specify that S is "a sample value representing the n-th symbol", and respectfully request that the objection be withdrawn.

ALLOWABLE CLAIMS

Applicants thank the Examiner for indicating that claim 61 is allowable, and that claim would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the above-described objection.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that claims 61 and 62 are in condition for allowance. Passage of this case to allowance is earnestly solicited. However, if for any reason the Examiner should consider this

application not to be in condition for allowance, he is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned attorney at the number listed below prior to issuing a further Action.

Any fee due with this paper may be charged on Deposit Account 50-1290.

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